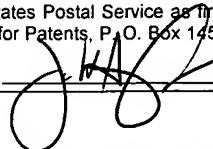


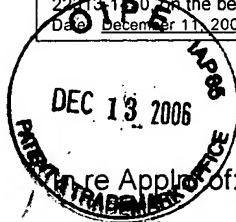
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Re Appln. of: Thomas A. Osborne et al.

Appln. No.: 10/642,513

Filed: August 15, 2003

For: Stent and Method of Forming a Stent
with Integral Barbs

Attorney Docket No: 12730-11

Examiner: William H. Matthews

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Attached is/are:

- ☒ Amendment and Response
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

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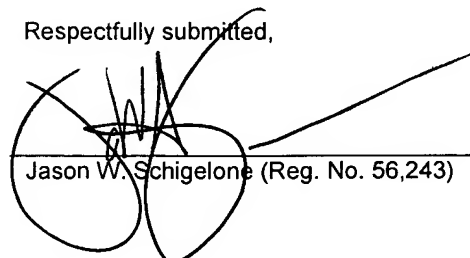
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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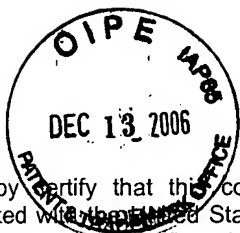
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- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$_____ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,


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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action dated October 10, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as indicated herein.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.